

Remarks

Examiner Lavilla is thanked for a through Office Action.

In the Claims

Claims 1-17 are canceled.

Parent claim 18 is amended to include the subject matter of allowable dependent Claim 24.

Claim 24 is canceled.

Claims 31 to 35 (canceled).

CLAIM REJECTIONS

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112

The rejections of claims 33, 34 and 35 are acknowledged. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested in view of the amendments.

Claims 33, 34 and 35 are canceled.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Rejection of claims 1, 7-14, 34 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Kamiguchi US 6,303,218.

The rejection of claims 1, 7-14, 34 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Kamiguchi US 6,303,218 is acknowledged.

Claims 1, 7-14, 34 and 35 are canceled.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Rejection of claims 1-6, 8-23 and 25-36 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Horng et al.

The rejection of claims 1 -6, 8-23 and 25-36 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Horng et al. is acknowledged.

Parent claim 18 is amended to include the subject matter of allowable dependent claim 24. Therefore claims 18 to 23 and 25 to 30 and 36 are allowable. The other claims are canceled.

Rejection of claims 1 4, 7-14 34 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Kamiguchi.

The rejection of claims 1 4, 7-14 34 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Kamiguchi is acknowledged. Claims 1 4, 7-14 34 and 35 are canceled.

Allowable subject matter.

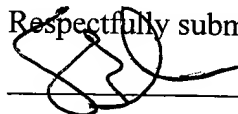
The objection to claim 24 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim 18, but allowable if rewritten in independent form is acknowledged. Parent claim 18 is amended to include the subject matter of allowable dependent claim 24. Therefore claims 18 to 23 and 25 to 30 and 36 are allowable. Claim 24 is canceled.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested. Allowance of all claims is requested. Issuance of the application is requested.

It is requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney or George Saile at (845) 452-5863 should there be anyway that we could help to place this Application in condition for Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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